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Believing that clearer understanding and closer co-operation between colleges and the schools which prepare students for them is sure to be of advantage to the college, the school and the student, the Senate Committee on Entrance is sending out this bulletin of information concerning entrance requirements and the methods of admission to Freshman standing in the several departments of Miami University. Schools which do not now have students planning to enter Miami may have such students in the near future, and the filing of this bulletin for reference may save the trouble of making inquiries hereafter. Principals desiring to secure the accredited relation are asked to make their applications at as early a date as is convenient, as the Committee on Entrance Credits is thus given time to examine the reports of schools with the care they deserve and to make further inquiries where such are needed. If the accredited relation is to be effective for students entering next September, it must of course be estabished before the date of opening registration, which is named below.

TERMS OF ADMISSION.

All new students, on their arrival, are expected to report to the President of the University. The Committee on Entrance Credits and the Committee on Entrance Examination, before one or the other of which all new students must appear, will be in session Monday and Tuesday, September seventeenth and eighteenth, beginning at 1:30 P. M. on Monday.

It is greatly to be desired that new students present themselves promptly, as registration at other times is extremely inconvenient.

Experience has shown the wisdom of careful inquiry into the preparatory training of candidates for admission to college, that the work of classes may not be hindered and that the time of students may not be wasted in an effort to carry work for which they are not properly prepared. The University has accordingly adopted the following policy with regard to admission, to which special attention is asked.

The two methods provided for the admission of students to Freshman standing in the College of Liberal Arts or College of Education and Ohio State Normal School are by certificate from accredited schools and by examination.

ADMISSION BY CERTIFICATE.

Students coming from schools which have been placed on the accredited list of Miami University (see below) will be accepted as prepared in all entrance subjects duly certified to by their principals as having been satisfactorily completed. Blank forms of certification will be sent to prospective

students or principals of accredited schools on application to the President of the University.

That the Committee may have time to examine certificates properly, and also in order to save time for the candidate on the days of registration, these certificates should be in the hands of the President before the first sitting of the Committee on Entrance Credits. This date, for the fall of 1906, is Monday, September 17, at 1:30 p. m.

ADMISSION BY EXAMINATION.

Candidates not admitted by certificate, as prescribed above, will present themselves to the Committee on Entrance Examination for inquiry into the nature of their preparation. This examination will ordinarily cover several representative subjects from the list of those offered for entrance, and, if the candidate's work in these is found satisfactory, he may be excused from further examination. The examination will have to do with the more elementary and essential features, only, of these subjects. The intention is not to make entrance difficult, but only to secure reasonable assurance that the candidate's previous studies have been of such a character as to enable him to pursue college studies with profit.

ACCREDITED SCHOOLS.

The University has entered upon the work of establishing a list of accredited schools, whose certificates will be accepted without question for admission in the subjects specified in them. This list will include, for the present, all high schools marked "first grade" in the State School Commissioner's classification. Other schools, public or private, will

be added to the list on evidence of their ability to furnish adequate preparation. Schools which have for several years sent well-prepared students to this institution will be credited promptly on application. In other cases, acceptance will be based on detailed information furnished by principals as to courses of study, number and preparation of teachers, equipment, etc., or on personal inspection by a representative of the University. Principals believing their schools entitled to such credit are invited to correspond at once with the University.

Blank forms will be sent showing the kind of information desired by the Committee on Accredited Schools. The filling out of one of these blanks will be a necessary step to accrediting except in the case of the State Commissioner's "first grade" high schools, mentioned above.

Personal inspection is, of course, most valuable both to the University and to the school; and it is hoped that an official visitor can be sent when requested, at least within the territory readily accessible from Oxford.

Schools unable to meet the entrance requirements in their entirety may be accredited in one or more subjects.

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS.

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS.

It is the aim so to arrange the courses that regular graduates of standard High Schools may graduate in four years, and to encourage students to graduate at High Schools before entering the University. Inasmuch as some High Schools may not offer 15 acceptable units for entrance, students who

present 13 will be permitted to enter the Freshman class conditioned in the remaining 2 units.

Students entering the Freshman class will be required to present for entrance 15 units as given below—a unit being considered four or five recitations a week for one school year

The following 10 units are required of all:

English 3
Algebra to quadratics..1
Algebra through progressions ..... ½
Plane Geometry.....1
Solid Geometry..... ½
Physics with Laboratory work 1
History 1
Beginner's Latin.....1
Caesar 1
Total 10

Five units must be presented from the following:

Elementary Greek 1
Anabasis, 4 books 1
Cicero's Orations 1
Virgil 1
Elementary French including reading 200-400 pages 1
Second year French including reading 400-600 pages 1
Elementary German including reading 200-400 pages 1
Second year German including trans. 400-600 pages 1
U. S. History..... ½
Greek and Roman History ..... ½
English History ..... ½
Civics ..... ½
Astronomy ..... ½
Chemistry with Laboratory work 1
Physiography ..... ½
Geology ..... ½
Biology with Laboratory work 1
Physiology ..... ½

OHIO STATE NORMAL COLLEGE OF MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION.

(Four years' course leading to the degree of A. B.)

The entrance requirements for this course are the same as those for the College of Liberal Arts, stated above.

NORMAL COLLEGE.

(Two years' course leading to a Normal Diploma.)

At least 12 units (a unit being considered four or five recitations a week for one school year). The following 9½ units are required of all:

English, 3; History, 1; Algebra to quadratics, 1; Beginning Latin, 1.

Algebra through progressions, ½; Caesar, 1; Plane Geometry, 1; Physics with Laboratory work, 1; total, 9½.

Besides the above, 2½ units must be presented from a Modern Language, Latin, Mathematics, Science or other acceptable High School subjects.

Students may be admitted to Freshman standing if conditioned in two of the above units.

Teachers of experience and maturity are admitted to the courses of the Normal College as special students, but must satisfy the admission requirements before receiving the diploma.

NOTES.

Physics.—Those who desire credit for laboratory work in Physics should present a note-book showing the work which they have done individually in the laboratory. Notes which are taken in the class from observation of experiments per-

formed by an instructor, are not accepted as evidence of laboratory work in the sense in which the term is used here. An exact statement of the kind of laboratory work should be made on the blank used in making application for the accredited relation.

History.—The prescribed unit in History will ordinarily be understood to be General History; but any combination of history courses aggregating 1 unit may be accepted as the prescribed unit. When General History has been offered, not more than ½ unit additional will be allowed for Ancient History (which may be either Greek or Roman History or the two combined) except in case of clear evidence that a good year's work, in addition to that covered in the General History, has been given.

English.—By 3 units in English is meant not less than 3 full years' work. This must include at least one year of work, with a good text book, on the principles of Composition and Rhetoric, and at least one year of reading, in class, from standard English authors. The writing of essays as often as once in two weeks for two years is expected.

SPECIAL STUDENTS

It is the aim to encourage students to take regular and complete courses. There are cases where partial work is all that time or means will permit, but where possible the regular course should be taken. The tendency to special courses, born of misapprehension of the aim and purpose of elective courses has, in many cases, defeated the best educational results for the students. As a

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check to this tendency among immature students the Faculty has adopted the following rule:

Candidates under twenty years of age, desiring to take special courses, are required to present the same qualifications as candidates for one of the regular courses. Persons twenty years of age, who are not candidates for a degree, and who wish to take special studies, are permitted to do so upon giving satisfactory evidence that they are prepared to take the desired studies advantageously. If they subsequently desire to become candidates for a degree, or to take a regular course, they must pass the required entrance examination.

ADVANCED STANDING.

Candidates for admission with advanced standing who do not come from other colleges, will be required to pass examinations in the subjects for which they desire college credit. Those who come from other colleges are required to present certificates of their standing, both moral and intellectual, in the college from which they come, and to pass such examinations upon the work of the year preceding that which they wish to enter, as the Faculty may deem necessary. No student is admitted to the University as a candidate for a degree in the undergraduate courses after the beginning of the Senior year.

Credit for advanced standing must be secured during the student's first term of residence at this University.